SC Arts Commission Board of Commissioners Meeting Tuesday, February 25, 2003 Bank of America Plaza 1901 Main Street, Columbia

Members present Patrick VanHuss, Virginia Self, Connie Williams, Carolyn Govan,

Carrie Brown, Pam Harpootlian, Linda Stern

Members absent David Stinson, Noble Cooper

Staff present Susie Surkamer, Ken May, Rusty Sox, Marion Draine, Clay

Burnette

Call to order Chairman VanHuss called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

Motion Ms. Govan made a motion to go into Executive Session for

personnel discussions. Ms. Harpootlian seconded, and the motion

was approved.

Dr. Cooper arrived at 9:25 a.m.

Executive Session The Executive Session ended at 9:40 a.m.

Motion Ms. Self moved to return to General Session. Ms. Brown seconded.

and the motion was approved.

FY:04 Budget Ms. Surkamer reviewed the budget issues for FY03 and presented

proposed budget highlights for FY04.

Several members of the SCAC staff joined the meeting to hear Ms.

Barsdate's presentation.

NASAA Kelly Barsdate from the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

Presentation presented *Trends in State Arts Agencies*.

Partner Presentations The following representatives of SCAC partner organizations

made presentations on their partnerships with the SCAC:

Betty Plumb S.C. Arts Alliance

Randy Akers S.C. Humanities Council
Virginia Uldrick S.C. Gov.'s School for the Arts
Tom Fowler S.C. Educational Television

Tom Clark S.C. Educational Television & Radio

Arts in Education Mr. May presented a list of AIE grant applicants submitting late

applications and requesting an exception to the guidelines in order

that their applications may be considered.

Motion Ms. Stern moved that the late applications be accepted, and that the

applicants in question receive a letter advising them they must

meet future deadlines. Ms. Govan seconded.

Discussion on the motion followed. The motion was approved.

ABC/AIE Residency

Plus Grants Mr. Burnette presented recommendations for ABC/AIE Residency

Plus grants, including two possible funding scenarios.

Consensus Action By consensus, the board agreed to suspend the Strategic Projects

category.

Motion Dr. Cooper moved to accept Scenario 2 for the ABC Advancement

Category. Ms. Brown seconded and the motion was approved. Ms. Govan abstained from voting due to a potential conflict of interest.

Motion Ms. Stern moved to approve Scenario 2 for the remaining AIE

categories. Ms. Brown seconded and the motion was approved.

After School

Presentation Ms. Joy Young and Ms. Linda Nalty from Communities in Schools

presented recommendations related to after school art programs.

Fellowships Mr. Burnette presented recommendations for FY04 Fellows:

Carol Ann Davis

Kathleen Bullard Adams

Eric Bultman

John David Solomon

Literary Arts – Poetry

Literary Arts – Prose

Performing Arts – Acting

Media Arts – Screenwriting

Paula Smith Visual Arts – Crafts

Philip L. Moody Visual Arts

Motion Ms. Govan moved to accept the recommendations. Ms. Brown

seconded. The motion was approved.

Salary Assistance Mr. May explained circumstances in which five arts organizations

previously receiving Salary Assistance Grants have failed to meet the requirements of the grant guidelines, specifically maintaining

the salaried position for a year following the grant period.

Motion Ms. Self moved to exempt the five organizations in question from

the requirement. Ms. Govan seconded and the motion was

approved.

Showcase Mr. May presented information and recommendations regarding

the SCAC's Performing Arts Showcase.

Motion Ms. Self moved to eliminate the Showcase as a SCAC program.

Ms. Williams seconded and the motion was approved.

State Art Collection Ms. Green recommended that funds from the S.C. Arts Foundation

earmarked for the State Art Collection in FY03 be carried over for

use in that program in FY04.

Motion Ms. Self moved to carry forward the funds for the State Art

Collection. Ms. Stern seconded. The motion was approved.

E-Grant Timeline Mr. May explained the current circumstances regarding the

development of the E-Grant product and how it may impact several upcoming operating grant deadlines. He recommended rolling over

current operating support grants to next year – subject to

reductions based on budget cuts.

Discussion followed.

Motion Ms. Self moved to roll over the current annual and biennial

operating grants for one year. Ms. Govan seconded. The motion

was approved with one vote opposed.

Ms. Self departed at 2:17 p.m.

Verner Awards Ms. Draine presented recommendations for the 2003 Elizabeth

O'Neill Verner Governor's Awards for the Arts, to be presented on

May 8, 2003:

Peace Center for the Performing Arts
City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs
Blue Cross Blue Shield of South Carolina

Organization
Government
Business

Liz Smith-Cox Arts in Ed.
Thales Thomas "Skipp" Pearson Indiv. Artist
Dottie Ashley Individual
Corrie McCallum Lifetime Ach.

Motion Ms. Govan moved to accept the recommendations. Ms. Stern

seconded. The motion was approved.

Approval of Minutes Ms. Govan moved to approve the minutes of October 8, 2002 and of January 29, 2003. Dr. Cooper seconded and the motion was approved.

Chairman's Report

Chairman VanHuss reported on the following activities:

- He participated on the panel reviewing applications for the Statewide Learning Community (Participation Project).
- He paid visits to several legislators on Arts Advocacy Day February 4.
- Met with several legislators who attended the Legislative Arts Caucus meeting on February 13.

Mr. VanHuss congratulated Dr. Cooper and his wife on the recent birth of their son.

Commissioners' Reports

- Ms. Williams attended the NASAA Conference in Detroit October 17-20, 2002. She provided a summary of her activities on the planning committee for the 2003 NASAA conference in Charleston.
- Ms. Harpootlian reported on recent actions by the Cultural Visions Steering Committee.
- Ms. Govan and Ms. Williams reported on their participation in Arts Advocacy Day February 4.
- Ms. Stern reported on her work with the S.C. Arts Foundation and plans for the upcoming Verner Luncheon.

Ms. Harpootlian departed at 2:50 p.m.

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Surkamer suggested changing the date of the June SCAC board meeting to June 19. She also:

- Reminded the board of the May board meeting in Charleston and an April 28 presentation from 10 a.m. to noon by Michael Moore of the Wallace-Reader's Digest funds.
- Invited board members to attend the START "Executive Summary" seminars being offered to all arts organizations, paralleling the Statewide Learning Community.
- Reported on Southern Arts Federation activities.

Financial Reports

Ms. Surkamer presented the financial reports for the 1st and 2nd quarters.

Motion Ms. Brown moved to approve the financial reports. Ms. Stern

seconded and the motion was approved.

Adjourn There being no other business, Ms. Govan moved to adjourn. Ms.

Stern seconded, and the motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.